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I write to provide feedback on the current electoral boundaries of the Hinchinbrook electorate as part of the 2025 state redistribution process.

In my view, the current boundaries of Hinchinbrook are appropriate and should remain unchanged. The Hinchinbrook electorate covers a well-balanced and geographically cohesive area that allows for effective representation of all communities.

From the northern suburbs of Townsville to Tully, the population distribution, while spread out, is manageable for a local member to engage meaningfully with constituents across the electorate.

Should the Commission determine that changes must occur to meet enrolment targets, I strongly suggest that any boundary movement be made southwards, toward the northern suburbs of Townsville. Expanding into areas such as Kalynda Chase would simply increase the electorate's footprint without fragmenting the core rural and suburban communities that define this seat.

The Hinchinbrook electorate must stay connected to Townsville to ensure strong, consistent representation for the people who live and work in this part of North Queensland. I trust the Commission will give full consideration to these points in the review process.